

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Office of the Attorney General



TRIAL ATTORNEY
Legal Services Section
Child Support Services Division

Vacancy Announcement #16-015

Salary Range: \$63,481 – \$81,161 (LS-11 Step 1 to LS-12 Step 3)*

The Legal Services Section of the Child Support Services Division (CSSD) in the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia is seeking a trial attorney. CSSD administers the District's child support services program that includes locating non-custodial parents, establishing legal paternity, establishing support orders, enforcing legal support obligations including medical support, and modifying support orders. The Division is also responsible for the State Disbursement Unit that processes all child support payment collections and disbursements.

The incumbent will represent the District and custodial parents in all aspects of Child Support litigation, from initial entry of a support order to modification of the order to civil and criminal contempt enforcement. The attorneys are typically in court 4-5 days a week, negotiating consent orders with the parents or conducting contested hearings. The incumbent will serve as a “floater,” primarily assigned to help with the anticipated surge in both local and interstate petitions resulting from a new application from TANF which allows caseworkers to increase the number of referrals for attorney review, etc., and provide coverage for the court calendars when those Assistants Attorney General assigned to court litigation teams are out on scheduled leave and/or extended leave. The legal work is high volume and fast paced.

The ideal candidate must have experience handling a large volume of cases. The candidate should also be committed to working on behalf of children and have a demonstrated commitment to trial work in the public sector. Prior trial experience and fluency in Spanish is highly desirable, but not necessary.

The successful candidate must have a law degree and be an active member in good standing of the bar of any jurisdiction. If not a member of the District of Columbia Bar, the candidate must be sworn into the District of Columbia Bar within 360 days of his/her initial appointment with the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia.

This position is within the Collective Bargaining Unit. Candidates for the position may be subject to a background check.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please submit a cover letter summarizing why you are interested and the skills and abilities you possess that will enable you to succeed in this position, along with a resume, writing sample, and list of three references electronically to oag.recruitmentattorney@dc.gov, or by mail to: Arlyntha Love, Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 1100 South, Washington, D.C. 20001.

Closing Date: February 8, 2016.

Please include the vacancy announcement number in your cover letter.

*** Salary in this range will be based on a multitude of factors including applicable rules, regulations and guidelines.**

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

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